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Claims 1-11 (Canceled)

12. (Currently Amended) The transmitter of claim 39 [[11]] wherein said transmission device is a cable television transmitter.

13. (Currently Amended) The transmitter of claim 39 [[11]] wherein said transmission device is a satellite television transmitter.

14. (Currently Amended) The transmitter of claim 39 [[11]] wherein said transmission device is a over the air broadcast television transmitter.

15. (Original) The transmitter of claim 14 wherein said transmission device is a transmitter that transmits said indication in the vertical blanking interval.

Claims 16-27 (Canceled)

28. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:
monitoring an ongoing video transmission and control information including a coded command to begin recording of the video transmission, said control information optionally separately received by said monitor;
inserting said coded command within said ongoing video transmission when separately received; and
transmitting [[a]] said monitored video transmission together with [[a]] said coded command to begin recording of the video transmission, said video transmission and said coded command ~~for widespread transmission~~ to be transmitted to more than one receiver.

29. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 28 wherein said coded command is a digital signal.

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30. (Currently Amended) An article comprising a medium storing instructions that, if executed, enable a processor-based system to:

monitor control information for a command to begin recording a segment of a video transmission;

transmit said [[a]] video transmission to more than one receiver; and
prior to transmitting, insert within said video transmission [[a]] said command to begin recording the segment of the video transmission.

31. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 30 further storing instructions that enable the system to automatically transmit a digital signal indicating that recording should begin.

32. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:
monitoring an ongoing video transmission for a characteristic indicative of a replay, said replay being a segment of said video transmission that is retransmitted immediately after initial transmission of said segment; and

upon detecting said characteristic, automatically recording said replay video transmission.

33. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 32 including monitoring for a transition from a live broadcast to a replay.

34. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 32 including monitoring a closed captioned transmission accompanying said video transmission to determine the presence of a replay.

35. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 32 including monitoring the vertical blanking interval.

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36. (Currently Amended) A video receiver comprising:
a first device to receive a video signal;
a second device coupled to said first device to detect a replay; and
a video recorder that automatically records said video signal in response to the
detection of said replay, said replay being a segment of said video transmission that is
immediately retransmitted.

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37. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 36 wherein said second device detects
information in a closed caption transmission accompanying said video transmission.

38. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 37 wherein said second device
monitors the vertical blanking interval for information about a replay.

39. (New) A transmitter comprising:
a monitor that monitors an ongoing video transmission and control information
that is optionally separately received by said monitor, said monitor to insert said control
information within said ongoing video transmission when said control information is separately
received; and
a transmission device that transmits said ongoing video transmission monitored by
said monitor, said monitored video transmission transmitted to more than one receiver.
